



May 13, 2016

Municipal Election results

A special City Council meeting is scheduled for 9 a.m., May 18 to canvass the results of the May 7 election. The meeting will be held in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 757 N. Galloway Avenue.

Visit www.cityofmesquite.com/ElectionResults for more detailed information.

Fed Ex Ground to open new Mesquite facility

The City officially welcomed FedEx Ground to the community in celebration of their plans to build a large distribution center in Mesquite. This new center will be a part of the FedEx Ground network of more than 560 facilities nationwide. The center will boost daily package volume and further enhance the speed and service capabilities of the FedEx Ground network. The facility is being built on the site of the former Big Town Mall location at the intersection of Interstate 30 and U.S. Highway 80. Here are a few facts regarding the new FedEx Ground facility:

- Opening: August 2017
- Size: 344,000 square feet
- Processing Rate: 15,000 packages per hour
- New Jobs: Approximately 260 initially



Code 3 Emergency Room breaks ground

The City welcomes Code 3 Emergency Room to the community. Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Bruce Archer attended the Code 3 Emergency Room ground breaking at 1080 E. Cartwright Road on May 12. Code 3 ER will provide full-service emergency care 24/7 combined with FASTPASS Urgent Care services. The state-of-the-art facility will be staffed by board certified, emergency trained physicians. The Chamber of Commerce Mustangers were also on hand to welcome the physicians and their representatives to Mesquite.



May 8-14 proclaimed National Nursing Home Week

Mayor Stan Pickett visited Town East Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center and proclaimed the week of May 8-14 as "National Nursing Home Week" in Mesquite. The proclamation was made in honor of the special week established by the American Health Care Association in 1967. The week is a time to reflect on how to best improve the lives of nursing home residents as well as honor the professionals that care for them.



Chief Cato speaks at Hospitality and Tourism Association of Mesquite

Police Chief Charles Cato recently spoke at the quarterly Hospitality and Tourism Association of Mesquite meeting about visitor safety tips. The event was organized by the Mesquite Convention and Visitors Bureau and was held at the Fairfield Inn and Suites. The meeting provided an opportunity for bureau partners to meet the chief, learn more about public safety and share information about the tourism industry in Mesquite. Attendees included representatives from local hotels, attractions and community groups.



Volunteers needed for Mesquite Summer Sizzle

Volunteers are needed for the City's inaugural Summer Sizzle festival on Saturday, June 11, from noon to 10:30 p.m. at Paschall Park, 1001 New Market Road. Volunteers will receive a free Summer Sizzle t-shirt in return for their assistance. Details about volunteer opportunities are available online. Visit www.cityofmesquite.com/SummerSizzle for more information and to register.



Mesquite High School students present youth engagement proposal

On Wednesday, students from Mesquite High School's Social Studies Ignite Program presented a youth engagement proposal to Mayor Stan Pickett and City Manager Cliff Keheley. At the beginning of the semester, the students were charged with developing a youth program for the City. The students were asked to consider funding sources and opportunities for community partnerships as part of their assignment. Their proposed program, entitled "Mesquite Quest", focuses on developing job-readiness skills for high school students preparing to enter the workforce. The Mesquite Quest proposal was impressive and the City thanks the students for all of their hard work preparing the program.



Monthly Sales Tax Report

The State Comptroller's Office reported a 1.6 percent increase in the City's sales tax collections for the month of May, which marks the fifth consecutive month of positive sales tax collections for the City. In terms of the City budget, the City collected \$51,200 more this month than the same period last year. Overall, monthly sales tax collections are up 2.9 percent and represents a strong, healthy local economy. For more detailed information on how the City uses its sales tax revenue, visit the City's website at www.cityofmesquite.com.

Monthly Sales Tax Revenues
Percent Change from Same Month in Prior Year



North Central Texas Council of Governments to offer economic recovery workshops

The North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) will offer three economic resilience and recovery training workshops for those in the business trade. The workshops are free and will be held on May 25 and 26 at three different times and locations. The workshops will focus on how to develop strategies to better survive catastrophic events.

Visit www.bcfsemd.net/EconomicRecovery for more information or to register online.



Private Sector Workshops

Local businesses, whether large or small, are an integral part of the economic success of the community. Statistically 40% to 60% of small businesses never reopen after a disaster, and of those that do, 25% will close within 2 years. Less than 25% of Fortune 500 companies could be considered capable of successfully managing a corporate crisis. How prepared is your company to survive a disaster and how prepared is your jurisdiction to support an economic recovery?

This free program will discuss the challenges of economic recovery often seen after disasters, and how businesses, in collaboration with their local governmental partners, can build economic resilience and develop strategies to better survive catastrophic events.

Who Should Attend?

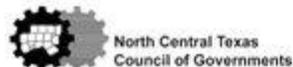
- Business Owners and Managers
- Economic Developers
- Chambers of Commerce and Business Trade Associations
- Workforce Development Managers

Locations and Times

Three different times/locations offered. Select the one that works best for you!

Date/Time	Location
Wednesday, May 25 8:30 am – 12:30 pm	Grand Prairie Public Safety Community Room 1525 Arkansas Lane, Grand Prairie, Texas
Wednesday, May 25 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Grand Prairie Public Safety Community Room 1525 Arkansas Lane, Grand Prairie, Texas
Thursday, May 26 8:30 am – 12:30 pm	Lewisville Center for the Creative Arts – Recital Hall 100 North Charles Street, Lewisville, Texas

Register Online at <http://www.bcfsemd.net/EconomicRecovery>



Contact your City

Let us hear from you. If you have a concern or are experiencing an issue, please contact the City at 972-288-7711, or visit the City's website at www.cityofmesquite.com/questions.